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		international search (Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b))				
		publication of the international application (Rule 12	4.4)			
		international preliminary examination (Rule 55.2 and				
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1.	Statement			
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-22	YES
		Claims		NO
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-22	YES
		Claims		NO
	Industrial applicability	(IA) Claims	1-22	YES
		Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Document 1: JP 2000-247949 A

Document 2: WO 02/036117 A1

Document 3: JP 9-316053 A

Claims 1 to 22

The inventions set forth in claims 1 to 22 are novel and involve an inventive step in relation to documents 1 to 3.

Document 1 (example 1) presents the crystals that are obtained in example 1B from the description of the present application; however, document 1 does not make any disclosure with regards to the crystallization of a N-(3-cyano-4-methyl-1H-indole-7-yl)-3-cyanobenzene sulfonamide (hereinafter referred to as the "compound from the present application").

Meanwhile, documents 2 and 3 disclose compounds that are similar to the compound from the present application.

However, the C crystals and the A crystals, which are specific crystalline forms of the compound from the present application, cannot be considered to have been obvious to a person skilled in the art, even with consideration of the disclosures in documents 1 to 3 and

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common technical knowledge at the time the present application was filed. Furthermore, the C crystals and the A crystals that are set forth in the present application exhibit an advantageous effect in that said crystals exhibit a high level of light stability in comparison to other well-known crystals (refer to test example 2 in the description of the present application).